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## Crenshaw/LAX Line among 14 infrastructure projects expedited by the Obama Administration

Good news! The 8.5-mile Crenshaw/LAX Line project has been selected by the Obama Administration to receive federal assistance to expedite the environmental review process. The Crenshaw-to-LAX line, which will run from the intersection of Exposition and Crenshaw boulevards to the airport and continue on the Green Line to Redondo Beach, is one of only 14 transit projects nationwide to be selected for assistance by the Federal Transit Administration.

"This announcement is wonderful news for the Crenshaw community, the city of Los Angeles, the Crenshaw Corridor, and commuters all over the county who travel to LAX," said Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas. "Not only does this action by the Obama administration demonstrate the president's commitment to job creation, it provides new momentum for a Leimert Park Station as part of the Crenshaw-to-LAX line.

"Securing a Leimert Park station remains our goal," the Supervisor said, "and any assistance that may shorten the time needed to develop the line is likely to produce savings that can be directed to the station," the Supervisor said.

The announcement comes two weeks after the Metro Board approved negotiations for a Project Labor Agreement (PLA) and Construction Careers Policy (CCP), as well as the final environmental impact report for the Crenshaw/LAX line.